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CENTRAL COMMAND

SAFESTAT REPORT

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Overview



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The month of October continued to show a decrease in traffic flows throughout the Central Command. The decrease in traffic combined with the early arrival of winter to Northeastern Nevada resulted in the overall activity produced by Command personnel to decline slightly by 1.5% when compared to September. Despite the decrease in traffic, total crash numbers increased by 18% when compared to the previous month and by 19.2% when compared to October of 2003. Crashes involving commercial vehicles comprised 20.3% of the total crashes, increasing from the 15% recorded in September.

Of the 118 total crashes handled by personnel of the Central Command, only one involved a fatality for a decrease of 80% when compared to the previous month. However, property damage crashes increased by 15.4% and injury crashes increased by 40% when compared to September. Commercial vehicle crashes also increased by 60%. Of the 24 total commercial vehicle crashes 11 or 46% were attributed to be the fault of the commercial vehicle driver.

As previously stated, total enforcement activity for the Command decreased by 1.5% when compared to September. While declines were noted in the DUI arrests prior to crash category (50%), total persons arrested category (9.8%), Speed violation Category (10.1%) and Occupant restraint category (4.2%) the Hazardous moving category increased by 10.6%. As in September, total safety violations issued by Traffic Enforcement personnel for commercial vehicle violations increased by 10.6%. After completing 260 drivers inspections, 156 citations were issued for a variety of commercial violations. The Commercial Enforcement Section showed a decline in all enforcement categories except two. A 13.5% increase was noted in Total trucks weighed and a 1.7% increase in total dyed fuel inspections. I also want to commend the Commercial Enforcement Section for their efforts during Federal FY04 for meeting or exceeding every Federal goal.

The Central Command has continued to put forth its best efforts and I commend the men and woman of the Command for their hard work and dedication.

November 5, 2004

CENTRAL COMMAND

CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW

	October-04		October-03	% Change		September-04	% Change
Total Crashes	118		99	19.2%		100	18.0%
Property Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	75		67	11.9%		65	15.4%
Injury Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	42		27	55.6%		30	40.0%
Fatal Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	1		5	-80.0%		5	-80.0%
DUI Crashes [DUI charged]	6		5	20.0%		6	0.0%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	1		5	-80.0%		5	-80.0%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	0		3	-300.0%		4	-400.0%
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	1		2	-50.0%		0	100.0%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	0		0	0.0%		1	-100.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%
Total persons killed -- seatbelts not applicable	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	24		13	84.6%		15	60.0%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	20		7	185.7%		10	100.0%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	4		6	-33.3%		4	0.0%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	0		0	0.0%		1	-100.0%

Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes 0.8%

Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes 5.1%

Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 100.0%

Percentage of commercial vehicle crashes to total crashes 20.3%

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS

[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]

- ☑ Crashes increased with the onset of winter storms during the latter half of the month.
- ☑ Central Command South investigated 11 crashes for jurisdictions outside of CC South.
- ☑ DUI crashes remained the same. The average BAC was not available as all submitted to blood tests.
- ☑ Only one fatal crash occurred where several unseat belted occupants were ejected, one receiving fatal injuries.
- ☑ Commercial vehicles involved in crashes increased by 60%. However, 4 were animal related, 5 equipment caused and 5 caused by the driver of a passenger vehicle. Commercial Vehicle drivers caused 11 or 46% of the crashes; this is down from prior months.

FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]

	October-04		October-03	% Change		September-04	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes	6		5	20.0%		6	0.0%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes	9		22	-59.1%		18	-50.0%
Other Arrests	103		137	-24.8%		90	14.4%
Total persons arrested (DUI included)	55		74	-25.7%		61	-9.8%
Speed violations	1285		1605	-19.9%		1430	-10.1%
Hazardous moving violations	199		226	-11.9%		180	10.6%
Occupant restraint violations *	227		257	-11.7%		237	-4.2%
Total violations [above violations included]	2595		2720	-4.6%		2634	-1.5%
Commercial Enforcement							
Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests	27		33	-18.2%		40	-32.5%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	14		5	180.0%		12	16.7%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	532		640	-16.9%		581	-8.4%
Terminal inspections [level 5]	1		0	100.0%		0	100.0%
Total safety violations -- citation	142		138	2.9%		166	-14.5%
Total safety violations -- repair order	857		930	-7.8%		1061	-19.2%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	17		33	-48.5%		49	-65.3%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	35		22	59.1%		41	-14.6%
Total school buses inspected	0		10	-1000.0%		0	0.0%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	0		4	-400.0%		0	0.0%
Total trucks weighed	210		334	-37.1%		185	13.5%
Total overweight citations	5		4	25.0%		18	-72.2%
Total dyed fuel inspections	530		626	-15.3%		521	1.7%
Total dyed fuel citations	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS

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- ☑ Overall activity declined by 39 violations or 1.5%.
- ☑ DUI arrests prior to crash declined sharply. This will be addressed.
- ☑ Commercial vehicles inspected by commercial operations personnel declined by over 8%, which is primarily due to personnel involved in the CVSA conference in Reno during the month.
- ☑ On secondary highways, commercial personnel performed 107 dyed fuel inspections resulting in no dyed fuel violations discovered.

Commercial Activity [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY]						
	Level 2/3 Inspections	Safety Violations Citation	Safety Violations Repair Order	Drivers Placed "Out of Service"	Dyed Fuel Inspections	Dyed Fuel Citations
	#	#	#	#	#	#
September-04	222	141	423	28	85	0
October-04	260	156	559	31	98	0
% Change	17.12%	10.64%	32.15%	10.71%	15.29%	0.00%

- ☒ Commercial vehicle Level 3 inspections conducted by traffic personnel increased by over 17%. A total of 260 inspections were conducted where 559 violations were discovered resulting in 31 drivers being placed "out of service."

PUBLIC INFORMATION

- ☒ Elko Junior High School – Occupant protection and driver awareness program for 125 students.
- ☒ Three separate child passenger safety programs during the month. Battle mountain and Elko for informational booths with 40 contacts and one offenders class with 8 students attending.
- ☒ DUI awareness at the Great Basin Community College with 100 in attendance.
- ☒ Division participation with "Trick or Treat Street" at the Elko Convention Center on October 30 & 31 with over 3,000 children passing through.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	October-04	October-03	% Change	September-04	% Change
COMMUNICATION CENTER					
Radio Transmissions	72302	72456	-0.2%	76153	-5.1%
CAD incidents	9078	5088	78.4%	9224	-1.6%
Telephone Calls	11373	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Call Box Incidents [Las Vegas only]	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
FRONT OFFICE					
Accident Reports Processed	74	N/A	N/A	81	-8.6%
Arrest Reports Processed	39	N/A	N/A	63	-38.1%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	16	N/A	N/A	14	14.3%
COURT / WARRANT					
Warrants Received	110	N/A	N/A	470	-76.6%
Warrants Entered	481	353	36.3%	397	21.2%
Warrants Cleared	195	123	58.5%	181	7.7%
Warrants Validated	1789	1458	22.7%	2068	-13.5%
Extradition / Transports	2	N/A	N/A	4	-50.0%
EVIDENCE					
New Cases Submitted	7	N/A	N/A	22	-68.2%
New Items Submitted	7	N/A	N/A	78	-91.0%
Items Disposed	5	N/A	N/A	178	-97.2%

Contract Service overtime for October was 413.25 hours for 11 contracts totalling \$24,397.

- ☒ Both radio transmissions and CAD incidents declined.
- ☒ Reports processed by front office personnel declined.
- ☒ Warrants received and validated declined, while warrants entered and cleared increased.
- ☒ Very few evidence items were processed during the month.